

AUGUST SERVING SCHEDULE

ELDERS

- Paul Corbin, Captain
- Jim Brown

ELDER OF THE WEEK

- Tom Thompson 08/03 - 08/09
- Terry Trimble 08/10 - 08/16
- Bob VanHoose 08/17 - 08/23
- Jim Brown 08/24 - 08/30
- Paul Corbin 08/31 - 09/06

SERVING DEACONS/ ELDERS for AUGUST

- Jim Brown
- Randy Roberts
- Helen Brown
- Ashley Byers

GREETERS

- Suzy DeLong & Bonita Summers. . . . 08/03
- Paul & Karla Corbin 08/10
- Barb Adams & Carli Deskins 08/17
- Daryl Ratliff & Charles Prater 08/24
- Robin & Taylor Wells 08/31

2008 ATTENDANCE REPORT

July	6	13	20	27
Sunday School	22	17	35	21
Worship Total	75	78	108	79

2008 FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND	
Needed as of July 27	\$ 123,803.55
Received as of July 20	\$ 109,315.72

Please contact a replacement if you are unable to serve. If you know of someone needing home communion, contact the appropriate Elder of the Week.



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Jesus talked a lot about our attitude toward possessions. Most of you will recall that he encouraged us not to lay up treasures for ourselves here on earth, *"where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal."* Jesus offered a better way. He said, *"lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven."* Some time ago I ran across a prayer that beautifully reveals the need for us all to incorporate Jesus' perspective on possessions into our own lives. The prayer comes from a book by Jo Carr and Imogene Sorley called Plum Jelly and Stained Glass.

"Lord, God, I am possessed by legions of things, even as the Gadarene was possessed. I speak of my things as possessions—but it is I who am possessed. I am fettered, bound to routine and structured days—by the tyranny of things. I ought to visit the sick, but I haven't finished dusting the knickknacks. I need to feed the hungry, but I've got to stay home and water the grass. The naked are waiting to be clothed, but I've got to take the stereo to the shop. I have allowed my life to become so cluttered with possessions that I am rendered ineffective. I forget about people. I don't have time to be bothered with them. Gradually, insidiously, things have become the possessor, and I the possessed. It is not that material possessions in themselves are bad. They can be tools, enabling me to do what I really need to do. But my priorities are misplaced when I focus on the things themselves, and not on what they enable me to do. Dear Lord, deliver me from the tyranny of things. Restore my perspective—thy perspective. Amen.

I find this prayer to be most convicting. How about you? It raises the important question, the same one Jesus asked, "Where are your treasures stored?" How do you answer that question? Is it the answer Jesus seeks? Or do you, like me, need to pray, **"Restore my perspective—thy perspective, O, Lord"?**

Dr. Chuck Summers



There will be a **Worship Team Meeting** and a **Property Committee Meeting** on **Sunday, August 3, 2008** directly after services at 12:15 pm.



Everyone on these teams are encouraged to attend.

The Youth are planning an overnight trip to Cincinnati, Ohio on August 8 & 9. They will be attending a Cincinnati Reds Baseball Game & Kings Island. Permission slips should be signed and returned to Jason no later than Monday, August 4, 2008. Please attend Youth Group on Monday Nights at 6:00 pm. to join the fun!



Stewardship Committee

The Stewardship Committee will be meeting on **August 10, 2008** at 3:30 to go over next years budget. Everyone on this committee is encouraged to attend.

There is a **Cabinet Meeting** scheduled for **Sunday, August 10, 2008** at 5:00 PM. Cabinet members are encouraged to attend and be prepared to discuss any topic that needs the cabinet's attention.



The **Worship Committee** invites everyone to attend a concert on **Sunday, August 17, 2008**, beginning at 3:00 pm, in the sanctuary. Dena Gibson, Pete Wolford, and Melanie Potter have been planning this program for several weeks and it will be a wonderful opportunity to...
 "Praise God in His sanctuary..... Praise Him with stringed instruments and (organ)...."

This concert will feature selections for the organ and the piano with the talents of Dena Gibson, Melanie Potter, and Pete Wolford. A reception will follow the program in the fellowship hall, so plan to attend this concert as we "Make a joyful noise to the Lord...."



New Nursery Worker Hired

The church has hired **Christine Laurino** as our new nursery worker. She began serving Sunday, July 20. Some of you will remember Christine from her previous employment here as our nursery worker. Each Sunday morning Christine will be caring for our infants and preschoolers. She will also be helping out on Wednesday nights if needed and for special events. Please make sure to extend a warm welcome to Christine.



Senior Adult Luncheon Planned for August 26



The senior adults will have a dinner at the church at noon on **Tuesday, August 26**. This month we will be grilling hamburgers and hotdogs.

All of our senior adults are encouraged to attend. Those planning to participate are asked to sign up at the bulletin board across from the kitchen or call the church office.

Look for more details in our next newsletter.

Interested in a Small Group Study?

There will be a meeting for all those interested in participating in a small group study this fall Sunday afternoon, **August 17, at 5:00**. At this meeting we will discuss options for possible studies and what the best meeting times would be. Small group studies provide wonderful opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship. Please consider being part of a group this fall and plan to join us for our organizational meeting on **August 17**.

It won't be long until our Little Blessings Preschool will be starting back. On **Wednesday, August 13**, there will be a **Back to School Party** for the four year olds at Gatti's beginning at 11:00 a.m. That evening, there will be an **Open House** for the three year old



students and their parents here at the church at 7:00. The three year olds will begin school on **August 14**; the four year olds will begin **August 15**. Please remember Ms. Dee and Ms. Debbie in your prayers as school starts back.

There will be a **Back to School Bash** for grades **Preschool - 6th grade** on **Saturday, August 16** from 1 to 4 PM. All children are encouraged to attend and bring a friend.



YEAH..... It's time to begin our **Wednesday's Wonderful Worship** and I hope you'll attend. We will resume on **Wednesday, August 20** after school from 3:15 - 4:30 for grades **K—6th**. Please let the school know your child will be riding the church bus on **Wednesday's**. If you have any question, please contact **Laura Kegan** or call the church office.

A Note to Our Shut-ins

Each week the church is videotaping our Sunday morning services. If you would like a DVD of the service please contact the church office. If you do not have a DVD player the church has two portable devices that may be borrowed. Also, if you are not currently receiving home communion from our Elders and would like to, please let us know.

Dates to Remember

August 3	Worship Team & Property Committee Meeting	12:15 pm
August 8 & 9	Youth Overnight Trip	
August 10	Stewardship Team	3:30 pm
August 10	Cabinet Meeting	5:00 pm
August 13	Back to School Party @ Gatti's (4 yr. Pre-school Class)	11:00 am
August 13	Open House for 3 yr. Old Preschool Class	7:00 pm
August 16	Back to School Bash	1-4:00 pm
August 17	Gabby Oldendick's Baptism	During Service
August 17	Special Elder Prayer (In Pastor's Office)	After Service
August 17	Organ Concert	3:00 pm
August 17	Small Group Study Meeting	5:00 pm
August 20	Wednesday's Wonderful Worship Resumes	3:15 pm